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Gentlemen:

Over the past seven months I have spent many sleepless nights worrying about the possibility of the expansion of the SRP San Tan Generating Plant – at Warner and Val Vista. I also had nightmares regarding the gas pipeline system. Concerns in regards to the added pollution that this plant will bring to the lungs, eyes and airways of my family, my neighbors and the children in 21 schools that surround this facility are intolerable and unacceptable.

We have listened to testimonies of SRP witnesses and intervenors. We have worked hard to prove that an electrical generating plant of this magnitude poses a serious danger to this community as well as a serious hazard. It is a nuisance in regard to pollution, noise, gas and safety, which is both a civil and criminal offense.

To have the pollution and vapor converge on to our air space, land and property could be considered trespassing.

To take the water of Gilbert residents from a desert community, could also be considered attempted theft of H₂O and is also a criminal offense on the part of the town of Gilbert.

Finally, this expansion does not belong in this area and does not meet the statutes of this state; namely – **it does not contribute to the quality of life, ... "protect the people and the environment in which they live."** It is not "suitable" for the area in which it is being planned.

Instead, this power plant expansion is a death threat to area families; especially to those who live in the homes on the North and East side of this facility. To in any way consider permitting the expansion of this facility will forever be imprinted on the conscience of each and every man who votes to pass it. To permit this expansion imposes a life sentence of possible danger, blight and illness upon thousands of children and families that now reside in a friendly, peaceful, gentle community of Gilbert, Arizona and the East Valley.

Please, you must remember when you cast your vote, SRP is not the only option for this power in the state of Arizona. You have already granted many permits for power plants.

Please remember, this location at Warner and Val Vista is not the only location where a power plant can be built or expanded.

Please remember, there is no buffer of land between the homes on the North and East side of this facility to protect these residents should there be an explosion.

Please remember SRP plans to send their toxic water filled in all likelihood with arsenic, cadmium and selenium into the canals and crops. Ask yourself, when the crops are gone in 5, 10, 15 years and homes are in their place, where will SRP's waste water be then?

Please remember there is Coolidge with land all around it and everything they need. The people want it also. Please remember they can build in Agua Fria and the cost to SRP customers would only be a few extra pennies per kw hrs.

Please remember, how SRP has consistently lied and manipulated the truth as per the Coronado plant, the push polls, the flyers and leading your committee to believe that filling the aquifer in Granite Reef will fill the aquifer in Gilbert.

Please remember the errors of omission in regard to the water, the gas pressure of the new gas system and the toxicity of the water.

Finally, remember the many people that have died in gas pipeline explosions and fires, recent problems with tires, and the shame of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company of Hinkley, California and the problems they brought to the community that surrounded them.

You have a choice. The fate of this immediate neighborhood, Gilbert community and East Valley lies in your hands. Will you doom them?

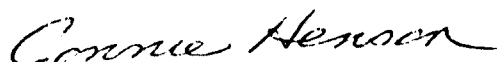
The mayor and 5/6ths of the town council does not care about their responsibility to senior adults, parents and the thousands of children who live in the East Valley and who will be affected by this monstrous facility.

Please, care. Our fate is in your hands. It is up to each and everyone of you to take a stand for what is honorable and right. You know in your hearts SRP has other options. Be the men of integrity each and everyone of you are. Vote No.

Should you even remotely consider allowing any part of this SRP generating plant to stay or expand at Warner and Val Vista then I submit the following conditions to consider.

(See next page)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Connie Henson".

Ms. Connie Henson

Conditions to consider:

San Tan should not be expanded as other options have not been studied in detail. A detailed study considering costs of specific locations in detail should be available for comment by intervenors and other residents before this expansion is even considered.

Neither the old plant nor any addition should operate during the months of November through February. If this is not possible, usage should be limited to less than 20 hours during these months. SRP showed only need for more peak demand power (summer months) in the near future.

Continuous emissions monitoring systems should be installed on the old and any new smokestacks. Reports should be available to the public on a daily basis. EPA's proposed new PM 2.5 limit of 65 micrograms per cubic meter should be required as this is in a residential area.

If even one new unit is installed, the old facility should not be allowed to be used more than 1% of the time. No more than one new unit should even be considered.

SRP should be required to be the sole owner and operator of this plant or else it will be shut down. This would discourage use of this plant as a merchant plant.

This plant should not be allowed to run if any power from any of SRP's plants is being sold to California or to anyone selling power to California.

Any plant expansion should be limited to capacity of the current gas line, as installing a larger gas line is hazardous.

No approval should be even considered unless a complete study and report of gas requirements and lines is presented.

A report from an independent hydrologist (not chosen by SRP) should be available before anything is considered.

The best choice of all is for SRP to put their time and energy into building a plant somewhere else. It is better to site lines into town now before anymore growth occurs than to wait a few years when there will be more houses in the way.